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TEN CENTS A WEEK

TEXAS

Excites the World
With
GREATEST WELL

Ever Struck Which Will Prob-
ably

MAKE 20,000 BARRELS A DAY

Oil Men are Rushing There From Every
where.

The oil fraternity in this city were stimulated to excited interest in the report of the great oil well strike in Texas, made by J. M. Guffey, of Pittsburg, and already they are restless and chafing under restraint here, ready to be on a trip of exploration in the new and promising territory. From the reports received by Col. Guffey, at Pittsburg, it appears that the well is spouting oil at the phenomenal rate of 15,000 barrels a day.

The strike made by Col. Guffey is pronounced the most sensational and the largest that has been made within the last decade.

Last Thursday noon he drilled in a mighty gusher in Southeastern Texas, located on a 3,800 acre tract, eighteen miles from Sabine Pass, on the Sabine river, and fourteen miles from Port Arthur in Jefferson county. The well was drilled in Thursday noon, and the first telegram Col. Guffey received from his superintendent was at 1 o'clock Friday morning, stating that the well had been drilled in and was flowing the full six-inch casing at a rate of 15,000 barrels per day. No tankage had been provided, and at the time the well had not been brought under control, and the oil was running in a stream into the Sabine river.

This well is located about 240 miles southeast of the Corsicana field, in Navarro county, and the oil is the same in specific gravity, about 37 degrees, but was reached at a depth of less than 1000 feet.

Mr. Guffey stated that he thought 15,000 barrels a day would be a conservative estimate of what the well is producing, and thought it would reach 20,000, which would make it the largest in the world.

People are coming from all quarters to see the wonderful well. The Sun set Central flyer Monday morning brought a large number of Corsicana citizens and oil experts to view the geyser and a number of oil men also arrived in the city last night from Corsicana. Among them were representatives of the Southwestern Oil Company, a branch of the Standard Oil Co., which is operating at Corsicana. Speculation has run wild. Fabulous prices are being offered for land in the vicinity of the well and refused.

Voted for Fremont.

By Associated Press.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 14.—The Indiana electoral college met in the executive parlors this morning and cast the 15 votes of Indiana for McKinley and Roosevelt. H. H. Hanna was chairman, Robert W. Harrison, of Lebanon, who voted for Fremont and every Republican candidate since, was selected as messenger.

Early Sale Expected.

By Associated Press.

Copenhagen, Jan. 14.—It is understood here that the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States will soon be completed. It is stated that the Minister of Finance desires the contract signed before March 4.

First in History.

By Associated Press.

Scofield, Utah, Jan. 14.—Five hundred coal miners struck here today for increased wages. This is the first mining strike in the history of Utah.

EARLY STEPS

Will be Taken for Removal of Neely to Cuba
for Trial.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 14.—As soon as the War Department is officially notified of the decision of the United States Supreme Court supporting its contention in the case of Neely, charged with postal frauds in Cuba, steps will be taken to secure the prisoner's removal to Havana for trial.

Neely is now in Ludlow street jail, New York, pending a hearing of civil proceedings on the charge of having brought stolen goods into New York. Judicial steps will be instituted to vacate civil proceedings and secure the transfer of the prisoner to the custody of Wm. Hinkle of New York, who has been appointed agent for the military government of Cuba for the purpose of receiving the prisoner when surrendered by the United States Government under the application for extradition. When all necessary preliminaries have been arranged, Neely will be surrendered to Agent Hinkle, placed on a United States transport and taken to Havana. The application for extradition was made in May last, and Neely's counsel have resorted to every legal resource to resist action upon it by the United States government. It is said that the United States authorities desire to have the trial of Neely precede the hearing of the case of Rathbone.

BUSINESS MEN

Of Cincinnati Take a Hand in Favor of the
Big Fight.

By Associated Press.

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 14.—The promoters of the Jeffries-Ruhlin contest here Feb. 15 had their inning today. Ruhlin appeared at the matinee and again tonight and was not molested. The Evangelical Alliance called off their jollification meeting as premature and opposition to the fight for the first time for over a week was not heard from. Meantime the Saengerfest Athletic Association proceeded with their work at the hall, and let some more contracts.

Put the most important development in favor of the Saengerfest Athletic Association was the signing of a petition by over 300 members of the Chamber of Commerce in favor of pulling off the fight. Business men are nearly all with the Saengerfest Club for the fight and unless the political leaders now give the ultimatum against the Saengerfest Athletic Club the fight will be pulled off here.

CADET BROWN

Enumerates the Several Methods of Hazing
in Practice at West Point.

By Associated Press.

West Point, Jan. 14.—The committee of the House of Representatives resumed its investigation into hazing at West Point today. Cadet Lewis Brown, Jr. of Rhode Island, one of Cadet Keller's seconds in his fight with Oscar Booz, was examined, but no new evidence was brought out. The witness defended the West Point fighting code, and admitted that fighting would cease if the cadets knew they would be expelled for taking part in fights.

Brown said that the hazing practiced recently were qualifying in the mess hall on prunes or "Sammy," scolding the gunner, bracing, sounding tecks, dragging tent, and examining feet.

Berry's Amendment.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 14.—Senator Berry of Arkansas, today offered the following amendment as an additional section to the army reorganization bill:

"That within ten days after this bill shall become a law the President of the United States shall issue his proclamation declaring that the United States hereby disclaims any disposition or intention to exercise sovereignty, jurisdiction or control over the Philippine Islands, except for the pacification thereof, and asserts its determination that when that is accomplished to leave the government and control of the islands to their people."

Boutelle Retired.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 14.—The President has signed the bill authorizing the placing of Congressman Boutelle, of Maine, on the retired list of the navy, with the rank of Captain.

NEELY

To be Taken Back to
Cuba

IS THE DECISION

Of the Highest Court in the
Land

POWER OF THE PRESIDENT

Is Clearly Defined in This Very Important
Case.

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, D. C. JAN. 14.—THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT TODAY RENDERED ITS DECISION IN THE NEELY EXTRADITION CASE. THE COURT HELD THAT NEELY IS SUBJECT TO EXTRADITION, AND MUST BE SURRENDERED TO CUBAN AUTHORITIES.

THE COURT HELD THAT CUBA IS FOREIGN TERRITORY, OUR ONLY PURPOSE IN THE WAR WITH SPAIN BEING TO FREE CUBANS FROM SPANISH DOMINATION. THE DECISION IS BASED UPON THE ACT OF JUNE 6, 1890, WHICH ACT IS HELD TO BE CONSTITUTIONAL.

The Court in outlining the power of Congress to legislate in the premises, says: "It cannot be doubted that when the United States required and enforced the relinquishment by Spain of her sovereignty in Cuba, and determined to occupy and control the island until there was complete tranquility in all its borders, and until the people of Cuba created for themselves a stable government, it succeeded in authority so far at least that it became its duty, under international law and the pending pacification of the island to protect in all appropriate legal modes the lives, liberty and the property of all those who submitted to the authority of the representatives of this country. The power of Congress to make all the laws necessary and proper for carrying into execution, as well as the powers enumerated in Section 8 of Article 1 of the constitution, as all others vested in the government of the United States, or in any department officers thereof, includes the power to enact such legislation as is appropriate to give efficacy to any stipulations which it is competent for the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate to insert in the treaty with a foreign power."

The effect of the decision is to extradite Neely under authority conferred by the act of Congress, rather than in accordance with any express extradition treaty. It insures the trial of the fugitive from justice, and it gives the administration power to protect life and property in Cuba during the period of our occupancy. Secretary Root said this afternoon that he was glad to hear that the Supreme Court had decided that Neely could be extradited for the reason that a failure of the United States to return Neely to Cuba for trial for embezzlement of Cuban postal funds would have given American justice a black eye in Cuba, especially as the United States is doing all it can to reform and purify the administration of justice in that island.

IMPORTANT DECISION.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 14.—Assistant Attorney General Jas. M. Beck, who argued the Neely case for the government in the Supreme Court, says that he regards the decision as important, not merely because it definitely decides its right to extradite Neely from Cuba for trial, but because it defines the nature and validity of its occupancy in Cuba. The chief contention of Neely's counsel was that with the ratification of the treaty of Paris, all right of occupancy by the government under war power ceased, and that the present occupancy of Cuba by the President as the commander-in-chief was unconstitutional and usurpation. The court squarely negates this contention and broadly affirms the right of the government to occupy Cuba until a responsible government is created by the Cuban people.

It is especially gratifying to the department of justice that this right can be exercised as the court has decided, free from any embarrassment which the existence of the Cuban republic would occasion. Neely's counsel earnestly contended that Congress, by a joint resolution which preceded the Spanish-American war, had recognized the existence of the Cuban republic, and if the court had sustained this contention the government would have been embarrassed by divided authority.

The Supreme Court further decided that the President may exercise his rights as commander-in-chief, free from embarrassment of constitutional provisions requiring trial by jury, which the court holds to be inapplicable to Cuba. The case is unique, partly because the status of Cuba is anomalous, and partly because of the absence of an extradition treaty. As to the first, the court affirmed the authority of the United States in Cuba pending its pacification, although foreign territory. As to the latter point, it has long been a vexed question as to whether there could be an extradition in the absence of an extradition treaty.

BAILEY ANXIOUS

To Have the Charges Against Him Investi-
gated Soon.

By Associated Press.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 14.—The legislative committee appointed to investigate the charges against Congressman Bailey to the effect that he is indirectly interested in securing a permit to do business in this state for the Waters-Peters Oil Co., met today and invited the presentation of charges. Mr. McFall, who originally provoked the investigation, was reported to be sick and unable to attend.

Mr. Bailey said that he desires the committee to do everything in its power to hasten the conclusion of the investigation. The committee issued a subpoena to compel Mr. McFall to attend the meeting called for tomorrow morning.

EARLY SETTLEMENT

Is Now Being Urged by all of the Foreign
Powers.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 14.—Secretary Hay was at the State Department today for the first time in a week. Minister Wu called early and there was a conference lasting half an hour on the Chinese situation. The department has now received responses from all powers relative to the dispatch recently forwarded through our diplomatic representatives abroad, urgently requesting the negotiations to be expedited as fast as possible. All of the powers concur in this view and express an earnest desire to reach a final settlement.

Sabbath School Union.

By Associated Press.

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 14.—The biennial convention of the Hebrew Sabbath School Union of America was held here today, and the reports of President Philson and Secretary Meyer showed 125 auxiliaries enrolled. Rabbi Cohen, of Ft. Wayne, delivered the annual address. Tomorrow the Council of American Hebrew Congregations a national organization, will meet. A bust of the late Dr. I. M. Wise will be unveiled.

Oil Takes a Drop.

By Associated Press.

Lima, O., Jan. 14.—The Ohio and Indiana crude oil market took a drop of 2 cents today, after having remained at the high point of the recent advance for nearly a week. The change makes North Lima 88 cents per barrel, South Lima and Indiana, 83 cents.

For McKinley and Roosevelt.

By Associated Press.

Columbus, O., Jan. 14.—The Ohio Electoral College met here today and cast 21 votes for McKinley and Roosevelt. William B. Woodbury, elected from this district, but now of Cleveland, was selected as messenger to carry the vote to Washington.

EAGAN

Scored by Senator
Teller

A BITTER SPEECH

Against the Retired Army
Officer

AND HE ALSO UNBOTTLED

His Vial of Wrath Against the Presi-
dent.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 14.—Just at the close of a day of dreary discussion of the technical details of the army reorganization bill, Mr. Teller, of Colorado, speaking to the amendment he offered, delivered a sensational denunciation of General Eagan, former Commissary General of the United States Army. His statement included also the administration. Mr. Teller's amendment was offered to that section of the bill which authorizes the President to retire any officer who has been suspended from duty, either by sentence of court martial or by an executive order in mitigation of such sentence, striking out the words "has been," and substituting therefore the words "shall be hereafter."

After saying that the section had been incorporated in the bill for the purpose of enabling the President to retire General Eagan, former Commissary General of the Army, Mr. Teller declared that it is retained in the bill in order that an officer of the army, Major Jos. W. Whann, might be gotten rid of. "He cannot be gotten rid of in any other way," said Senator Teller, "and he cannot not be gotten rid of in any circumstances."

The Senator adverted to the case of Gen. Eagan at some length. Of the beef furnished the army he said: "It was bottled and canned, and of very ancient lineage, some of it having made the trip to Europe and back, being fed to our soldiers after it had been condemned by European governments."

Mr. Teller denounced Gen. Eagan in sensational language. "As an officer in the army," said the Senator, "he made an exhibition of himself and showed himself to be a miserable blackguard." Referring to Gen. Eagan's denial of Gen. Miles' charges as to "embalmed beef," Mr. Teller declared: "His language was brutal and low and so bad that it could not be overlooked, although there is a very evident desire to overlook it."

Senator Teller made a stinging attack upon the President for having retired Gen. Eagan, asserting: "Retirement under such circumstances was a decoration, not a punishment, and many American people believe it was decoration and reward for his attack upon Gen. Miles."

At considerable length Mr. Teller then discussed the case of Major Whann. In an appeal for early passage of the pending bill, Mr. Carter, of Montana, declared that a delay now would mean additional expense of \$600,000 a day. He asked that a time be set for a vote, but Mr. Teller objected.

No progress was made with the measure today, not a single amendment being disposed of finally.

Government Sustained.

By Associated Press.

Paris, Jan. 14.—At 8:15 p. m. the government was sustained in the Chamber of Deputies by a vote of 310 to 110 on M. Semabts interpolation regarding the Pope's alleged interference in the international affairs of France.

Dewey Has the Grippe.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 14.—Admiral Dewey is confined to his home by an attack of grippe. He seems to be improving under treatment.

OIL NEWS

Of Interest From the Several Fields on Both
Sides of the River.

CRUDE OIL.

The closing prices of oil yesterday as reported by the Seep agency were as follows:

Tiona.....	\$1.35
Pennsylvania.....	1.20
Corning.....	1.03
Newcastle.....	.95
North Lima.....	.83
South Lima.....	.82
Indiana.....	.83
Somerset.....	.83

ST. MARYS FIELD.

Special to the Leader.

St. Marys, W. Va., Jan. 14.—Kennedy, Lawrence, Griffith & Co.'s No. 1 on the James Rice farm is drilling. Mallory Bros' No. 11 on the J. R. Bills is drilling. Foreman, Smith & Green's No. 5 J. R. Bills is drilling.

MARIETTA FIELD.

Special to the Leader.

Marietta, O., Jan. 14.—W. C. Patterson & Co. have the rig up for their No. 3 on the Chas. M. Uhl farm.

CHESTERHILL FIELD.

Special to the Leader.

Chesterhill, O., Jan. 14.—Ball & Co.'s No. 3 on the J. C. Spurrier is dry.

HEBRON FIELD.

Special to the Leader.

Hebron, W. Va., Jan. 14.—A. O. D. & S. P. Co.'s No. 2 on the W. L. Mahon is located.

Dunlap, Athey, Titley and Pierpoint have rigged up their No. 1 Andrew McFarland near Vincent and got to spudding Monday.

The Nugget Oil Co. is due to reach the sand in a well on the Henderson farm by the middle of the week.

Greenlee & Co.'s No. 15 Friend Wagner is in and doing 15 barrels.

Isherwood & Resser got a duster in their Wenzel No. 1.

IMPERIAL SEAL

Seems to be Very Difficult to Reach at
Pekin.

By Associated Press.

Pekin, Jan. 14.—Prince Ching notified Senor De Cologan, the Spanish minister, who is the dean of the diplomatic corps, that the agreement was signed yesterday morning, but that he did not expect to be able to present it to the foreign envoys before Wednesday, owing to the difficulty of obtaining the imperial seal, which he asserted, is in the Forbidden City and in the private apartments of the Emperor.

He said also that a personal order from the Emperor will be required before those who have the seal in charge will deliver it, even to Prince Ching.

SCAFFOLD BROKE

And Eight Workmen Were Very Seriously
Injured.

By Associated Press.

Jamestown, N. Y., Jan. 14.—A frightful accident occurred at the Jamestown water works pumping station this evening. Nine men were at work on the scaffolding over a deep reservoir, when the framework gave way and they fell 30 feet into the reservoir in which the water was very shallow. The injured are: Stewart Conant, William Johnson, Otto Lawson, Abraham Johnson, F. J. Taylor, James Eggleston, Harry Cook, W. Gilmore and Leon Rider. Nearly everyone has broken bones and bruises and the last four named are fatally injured it is feared.

Big Mortgage.

By Associated Press.

Youngstown, O., Jan. 14.—A mortgage for \$2,500,000 given by the Youngstown and Sharon Railway and Light Co. to the New York Trust Co., was filed in the courts here today. The Railway Co. recently issued \$600,000 in bonds and will increase the issue for the purpose of making improvements here and in Sharon.

Receiver Appointed.

By Associated Press.

Minneapolis, Jan. 14.—Judge Elliott today named Edward C. Webster, receiver for the Mississippi Valley Telephone Co. Over \$700,000 has been invested in the Twin City plant and its value inclusive of franchise is placed at \$1,500,000.